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St. James's, September 28.

THIS Day the Reverend Mr. William Hamilton, Profeſſor of Divinity in the Univerſity of Edinburgh and Moderator of the Commiſſion of the General Aſſembly of the Church of Scotland, and the Reverend Mr. James Hadow Principal of the New College in the Univerſity of St. Andrews, deputed by the ſaid Commiſſion, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, preſented to His Majeſty the following Addreſs.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Commiſſion of the General Aſſembly of the Church of Scotland.

May it pleaſe your Majeſty,

WE lay hold of this firſt Opportunity that our meeting together affords us, to expreſs our juſt Sorrow and Concern for the unſpeakable Loſs which we, together with all the Proteſtant Churches have ſuſtain'd, in the unexpected Death of his late Majeſty your Royal Father, our moſt indulgent Sovereign; and at the ſame time to declare the hearty Joy and complete Satisfaction that poſſeſs us on your Majeſty's quiet and peaceable Acceſſion to the Throne.

When we revolve in our Thoughts, how melancholly our Situation appeared to be by the ſudden Removal of our late moſt gracious and wiſe King, at a Seaſon when the critical Juncture of publick Affairs in Europe ſeemed to call for the moſt ſteady Hand to conduct them; and when we reflect how momentary our Fears were, how quickly they were diſpelled upon your Majeſty's aſcending the Throne of your Anceſtors, with the univerſal and joyful Conſent and Congratulation of your People; and when we ſee the Weight of Britiſh Councils in ſupporting the Proteſtant Intereſt Abroad, and preſerving the Balance of Europe, prevail as formerly; we cannot but admire and adore the kind Providence of Almighty God, who hath turned our Sorrow into Gladneſs, and under theſe gloomy Circumſtances which threatned us with Danger, hath opened to us the Proſpect of laſting Happineſs and Security.

It has been the Unhappineſs of Britain for more than a Century paſt, that it never ſaw the Throne fill'd, at the ſame Time with a Proteſtant King and Queen, bleſs'd and ſupported by a hopeful Progeny; whence grew that Weakneſs in the State, and Uncertainty in the Settlement in Matters of Religion, that has frequently threatened the Proteſtant Churches with Ruin. But now, Thanks be to our moſt gracious God, we ſee joyn'd to our King, whoſe Wiſdom, Juſtice and Magnanimity, ſecure the Church and State from all Apprehenſions, a Queen, whoſe Vertues and Piety are a fit Pattern for your People; and whoſe generous Contempt of Diadems, when ſtanding in Competition with the Proteſtant Religion, is rewarded even in this Life with one of the moſt conſiderable Crowns in Europe; and aſſures Religion in this Iſland of finding in her a tender nurſing Mother, as it gives a ſolid Expectation, that the growing Royal Family, the Hope and Glory of this Kingdom, will be brought up in the ſame Principles.

Under theſe happy Circumſtances we can have no Apprehenſions of what we formerly dreaded; but may reaſonably hope, that the abjured Pretender will ſoon have no Friend in Britain, who is not likewiſe a Friend to his abſurd Religion: And our faithful Endeavours muſt, with the Bleſſing of God, have the ſame Succeſs againſt him, as againſt thoſe Errors that lead captive his blinded Abettors into his Intereſt, againſt their own.

That the Profeſſion we make of Affection to your Majeſty is unfeign'd and genuine, no Enemy we have can pretend to doubt. Early upon your Acceſſion to the Crown, we received the ſtrongeſt Security that your Majeſty will maintain inviolably the Rights and Privileges of the Church of Scotland; and its main Support, under God, is from the preſent happy Eſtabliſhment of the Crown on your Majeſty and your Royal Family. Our Preſervation depends ſo evidently upon your undoubted Title to the Imperial Crown of this Realm, that tho' the Popiſh Pretender to your Majeſty's Throne, in publick Papers and Declarations has often attempted to delude others with the vain Hopes of Protection, ſhould his arbitrary and tyrannical Government take Place over this Iſland, yet not the remoteſt Inſinuation either was, or could with any Colour be made in Favour of our Church; ſo inſeparably are our Duty to your Majeſty and our Intereſt connected together. And therefore we humbly preſume to hope, that your Majeſty will graciouſly accept of this firſt Declaration and Tender

Tender of our unalterable Love, Duty and Loyalty.

That God may long preſerve your Majeſty, the great Pattern and Promoter of Religion, and the Defender of the true Faith; that your Reign may be happy and undiſturbed; that you may always poſſeſs the Hearts and Affections of all your Subjects; that you may be the Guardian of the Liberties of Europe, the Support of the Proteſtant Intereſt, and the bleſſed Inſtrument of Relief to our ſuffering Brethren Abroad; that all Divine Bleſſings in Chriſt Jeſus may be plentifully diſpenſed to your Majeſty, to our moſt gracious Queen, to the Prince, and all your Royal Family; and that it may ever be the Happineſs of Britain to have a Prince of your Royal Line to ſway the Scepter, are the ardent Prayers of,

May it pleaſe your Majeſty,

Your Majeſty's moſt faithful, moſt obedient and moſt loyal Subjects,

The Miniſters and Elders met in the Commiſſion of the General Aſſembly of the Church of Scotland.

Sign'd in our Name, at our Appointment, and in our Preſence, by

Will. Hamilton, Moderator.

Edinburgh, Auguſt 10, 1727.

Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly, and to return the following moſt gracious Anſwer.

I Thank you for this Dutiful and Loyal Addreſs. I am very ſenſible of the Zeal and Fidelity of the Church of Scotland for My Perſon and Government; and they may always depend upon My Support and Protection.

And they had the Honour of kiſſing His Majeſty's Hand.

They afterwards waited upon the Queen, being introduced to Her Majeſty by the Right Honourable the Earl of Grantham Lord Chamberlain of Her Majeſty's Houſhold, and the Reverend Mr. Hamilton made a Speech to Her Majeſty to the following Effect.

Madam,

WE have had the Honour to wait upon the King, to congratulate His Majeſty upon His late happy Acceſſion to the Throne and we are alſo commanded by the Commiſſion of the General Aſſembly of the Church of Scotland to wait upon your Majeſty, and declare their unaffected Joy and Satisfaction upon the ſame Occaſion; Commands, which we have undertaken with the greater Chearfulneſs, as they bring us into the Preſence of the greateſt Proteſtant Queen in the World.

The Church of Scotland has ſuffered too much by the Influence and Counſels of Princeſſes of a different Religion, not to be throughly ſenſible of the Happineſs they enjoy in a Queen, whoſe early and determined Zeal for the Proteſtant Religion has pointed Her out to the Love and Admiration of all the Reformed Churches; whoſe Virtues and Piety adorn Her Zeal, and whoſe Example recommends the Faith She profeſſeth to all Her Subjects, as well as to that fair and hopeful Off-ſpring with which ſhe has bleſſed this Realm.

As theſe Conſiderations muſt give the Church of Scotland full Confidence in your Majeſty's Royal Favour, and excite their humble and thankful Acknowledgements of the Divine Goodneſs from which theſe Bleſſings flow; their Duty as well as their Intereſt muſt prompt them conſtantly to put up their earneſt Prayers to God, long to preſerve your Majeſty, by whom they are derived to them, and to reward your generous and exemplary Adherence to the Profeſſion and Practice of our holy Religion with Honour and Felicity in this World, and with immortal Glory in that which is to come.

Her Majeſty was pleaſed to receive them very favourably, and to give them a very gracious Anſwer: And they had the Honour of kiſſing Her Majeſty's Hand.

The following humble Addreſs of the Bailiffs, Sheriff, Aldermen, and principal Inhabitants of the ancient City of Litchfield, was preſented to His Majeſty by the Right Honourable the Earl of Uxbridge, their Recorder. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Bailiffs, Sheriff, Aldermen, and principal Inhabitants of your ancient City of Litchfield, beg Leave to expreſs our great Concern for the Death of our late moſt gracious Sovereign your Royal Father. Permit us likewiſe to congratulate your Majeſty upon your happy Acceſſion to the Throne. The great Joy that now appears throughout the Kingdom is, we doubt not, as ſincere as univerſal. All who have a real and hearty Zeal for our excellent Conſtitution both in Church and State, cannot but have the utmoſt Aſſurance of their being ſecure and happy under a Prince, who has ſo fully manifeſted and eminently diſtinguiſhed his Affection and Concern for both. And we have all Reaſon to hope from your Majeſty's great Wiſdom and Goodneſs, that thoſe unhappy Diviſions that have ſo long been artfully fomented by wicked and deſigning Perſons, will at laſt be utterly ſuppreſſed; and that your Majeſty, by the Choice of an able and faithful Miniſtry, will ſoon re-eſtabliſh the Wealth, Power and Glory of your Kingdoms upon a ſure and laſting Foundation.

The following Addreſs having been tranſmitted to his Excellency the Lord Carteret Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has by him been preſented to His Majeſty, who was pleaſed to receive it very graciouſly.

To

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the High Sheriff, Grand-Jury, Juſtices of the Peace, Gentlemen, and Freeholders of the County of Armagh, at the General Aſſizes held for the ſaid County, the 22d Day of Auguſt, 1727.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Juſtices of the Peace, Gentlemen, and Freeholders of the County of Armagh, do take this firſt Occaſion of our meeting together, to expreſs our unfeigned Joy for your Majeſty's peaceable Acceſſion to the Throne of your Anceſtors, and our Thankfulneſs to the Divine Providence which has ſo effectually repaired our great Loſs at this critical Juncture of Publick Affairs, in the ſudden and unexpected Death of our late Sovereign your Royal Father, whoſe Memory will ever be dear to us.

The high Eſteem which we had juſtly conceived for your Majeſty, grounded upon our Experience of your Wiſdom and Goodneſs while you was yourſelf a Subject, gives us now the comfortable Proſpect of a wiſe Adminiſtration in every Part and Branch of your Government; and is our Aſſurance, even without thoſe gracious Declarations which you have been pleaſed to make from the Throne, that you will at all Times preſerve the Religion, Rights and Privileges of your Subjects.

As we doubt not but that your Majeſty's Wiſdom, of itſelf ſufficient to ſurmount thoſe Difficulties which may obſtruct a firm and ſettled Peace Abroad; ſo we hope, and are perſwaded, that all your Subjects will in their ſeveral Stations promote the ſame Peace at Home; and continue to be united in their Duty and Affection to your Sacred Perſon and Government, to our gracious Queen your Royal Conſort, and to your Royal Iſſue which are ſo many Pledges of Happineſs to our Poſterity.

St. James's, September 29.

This Day Count Dehn, Miniſter of State and Plenipotentiary of his moſt Serene Highneſs the Duke of Brunſwick Wolfenbuttel, had his firſt private Audience of His Majeſty, to which he was introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, and conducted by Sir Clement Cottrell Maſter of the Ceremonies.

The ſame Day he had his firſt private Audience of Her Majeſty in Her Apartment, to which he was introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Grantham Lord Chamberlain of Her Majeſty's Houſhold, and conducted by Sir Clement Cottrell Maſter of the Ceremonies.

Whitehall, September 30.

Letters from Vice-Admiral Hoſier, dated the 15th of July, adviſe, that he was then lying off Cartagena, (where the Spaniſh Galleons and their Convoy ſtill remained,) with nine Men of War of the Squadron of His Majeſty's Ships under his Command, viz. the Breda, Superbe, Rippon, Nottingham, Dunkirk, Tyger, Portland, Diamond, and Greyhound. He left at Jamaica the Berwick, which had been damaged but was repaired; and the Lenox. He had ſent the Leopard to convoy homeward bound Ships through the Windward Paſſage.

Letters from Sir Charles Wager dated the 5th of this Month, give an Account, that he was then with the Squadron of His Majeſty's Ships under his Command in the Bay of Gibraltar; and that all was quiet there.

Whitehall, September 30.

His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint his Grace William Duke of Mancheſter to be Lord Lieutenant and Cuſtos Rotulorum of the County of Huntingdon.

The Right Honourable Francis Earl of Godolphin to be Lord Lieutenant and Cuſtos Rotulorum of the County of Oxford.

His Grace Peregrine Duke of Ancaſter and Keſteven Lord Great Chamberlain of England, to be Lord Lieutenant and Cuſtos Rotulorum of the County of Lincoln.

His Grace John Duke of Rutland to be Lord Lieutenant and Cuſtos Rotulorum of the County of Leiceſter.

His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint Auguſtus Schutz, Eſq; to be Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe in Ordinary; and alſo to be Maſter of the Robes in Ordinary to His Majeſty.

Theſe are to give Notice to all Peereſſes that are to attend at the enſuing Coronation, That it is His Majeſty's Pleaſure that they do not ſet or uſe any Jewels on their Petticoats, nor powder the Ermine of the Sleeves of their Surcoats, or any other Part of their Robes, other than is directed by my Order of the 22d Inſtant; nor uſe any Counterfeit Pearls on their Coronets inſtead of the Silver Balls, but that they be all of the ſame Materials as uſual at former Coronations.

Sept. 29, 1727. *Suſſex M.*

Members choſen for the enſuing Parliament.

Southampton County, Lord Harry Pawlett, Sir John Cope.

Liſt of Peers Elected for Scotland.

Duke of Montroſe,	Earl of Stair,
Marqueſs of Tweedale,	Earl of Orkney,
Earl of Sutherland,	Earl of Selkirk,
Earl of Rothes,	Earl of Hoptoun,
Earl of Buchan,	Earl of Delorain,
Earl of Haddingtown,	Earl of Ila,
Earl of Loudoun,	Earl of Marchmont,
Earl of Finlater,	Earl of Dunmore.

Whereas a Letter ſigned E. B. was lately ſent by the Penny Poſt to One of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State; if the Perſon who wrote the ſaid Letter will attend the ſaid Secretary of State, or one of his Secretaries, and make out what is therein mentioned, the ſaid Perſon ſhall receive all fitting Protection and Encouragement.

Truſtees-Office, Broad-Street, Sept. 29, 1727.

The Truſtees for Raiſing Money on the Eſtates of the late Sub-Governour, Deputy-Governour, Directors, Caſhire, Deputy-Caſhire, and Accountant of the South-Sea Com-